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APPLICATION NUMBER	FILING/RECEIPT DATE	FIRST NAMED APPLICANT	ATTORNEY DOCKET NUMBER
10/084,571	02/27/2002	Alice Y. Romans-Hess	KCC 4791 (K. C. No. 16,38 HB)

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CONFIRMATION NO. 7958

FORMALITIES LETTER

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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
 - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);
 - more than one figure is present and each figure is not labeled "Fig." with a consecutive Arabic numeral (1, 2, etc.) or an Arabic numeral and capital letter in the English alphabet (A, B, etc.)(see 37 CFR 1.84(u)(1));

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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PART 2 - COPY TO BE RETURNED WITH RESPONSE

KCC 4791 (K.C. No. 16,385)
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Invention of Romans-Hess, et al.

Serial No. 10/084,571

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For IONIC SUPERABSORBENT POLYMERS WITH ENHANCED SWELLING
CHARACTERISTICS

April 26, 2002

**LETTER IN RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING
PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED**

TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS,

SIR:

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted," dated February 27, 2002, * enclosed is applicants signed Declaration and Power of Attorney in the above-referenced application. A copy of the Notice is * returned herewith.

* Also enclosed is a check in payment of the surcharge.

An assignment by the inventor(s) to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. is being mailed today.

Respectfully submitted,

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METHOD OF PAYMENT

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the indicated fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Applicant claims small entity status.

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Fee Calculation

1. **BASIC FILING FEE** Subtotal (1) \$ _____
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2. **EXTRA CLAIM FEES** Subtotal (2) \$ _____

Total Claims _____
Independent Claims _____
Multiple Dependent Claims _____

3. **ADDITIONAL FEES** Subtotal (3) \$ 130.00

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 Extension for reply within _____ month
 Notice of Appeal
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 Request for ex parte Reexamination
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